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Ex parte ALIREZA REZAIE and CHARLES T. ESMON

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Application No. 08/259,321

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## ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 10, 2002. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

The following prior art reference relied upon in the rejection of the claims by the examiner is missing:

Morrison, Science 229:1201-7, 1985.

A clear readable copy of each reference is needed to proceed with this appeal.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to provide a clear and readable copy of the reference, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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